GERMAN TANK "TIGER" 503rd BATTALION

PAPER MODEL FROM THE «PAPER ARMY»



HISTORICAL REFERENCE

Back in 1940, German designers were thinking about creating a heavy breakthrough tank, a "steel battering ram" on tracks with a large cannon, like the French B1. Also, the Germans were haunted by the British "Matilda" and later the Soviet KV and the work went faster. Firms Porsche and Henschel proposed variants of the tank, in 1942, after testing, they chose the Henschel variant and named it "Tiger". The tank was heavily armored and had a powerful 88 mm cannon (tank version of the anti-aircraft gun). For the first time, "Tigers" took part in the battles near Leningrad (Mga station) and in

Tunisia, they showed themselves controversially, the gun was really powerful, but there were frequent breakdowns and difficulties with evacuation, some problems were eliminated. Later, the "Tigers" were on all the fronts of the Second World War (where the Wehrmacht fought) and were the most dangerous opponents for any Allied tank. Since these tanks were "piece goods", each of them was unique and interesting for historians.

WHAT IS THE TANK TAKEN FOR THE BASIS OF THE PAPER MODEL?

This is a video about assembling a paper model of a German WWII Tiger tank.

This Tiger was in the 3rd company of the 503rd battalion of the Wehrmacht,
the battalion fought in Russia, Normandy and in the Vienna region. The
company commander was Major Walter Scherf.

PRINTING INSTRUCTIONS

To print a model of a tank, you need to select sheets of a document with a template, printing is carried out on A4 sheets (international format, 210 by 297 mm), if you have a different paper size, it's okay, you can print on it, the main thing in this case is do not stretch on the whole sheet (violation of the aspect ratio of the sheet), since this will change all the dimensions of the model, if, when printing on a different format, it turns out that there is an empty space on the sheet - let it remain, if the model is reduced in size, this is also not scary, there will be changes insignificant.

CUTTING AND GLUING INSTRUCTIONS

For all models, a separate video assembly instruction is provided, this video is available on my "Paper Army" YouTube channel at this link – <u>"How to make Tiger tank 503rd battalion"</u> (Rights reserved, commercial use is prohibited, deposit has been made).



With paper models of my design, I also make videos with paper model battles (stop motion), for example, the video "Fight of the Tigers against M3 Lee in Africa 1943", click on the title of the video and enjoy the colorful battle of paper tanks among paper decorations;)







